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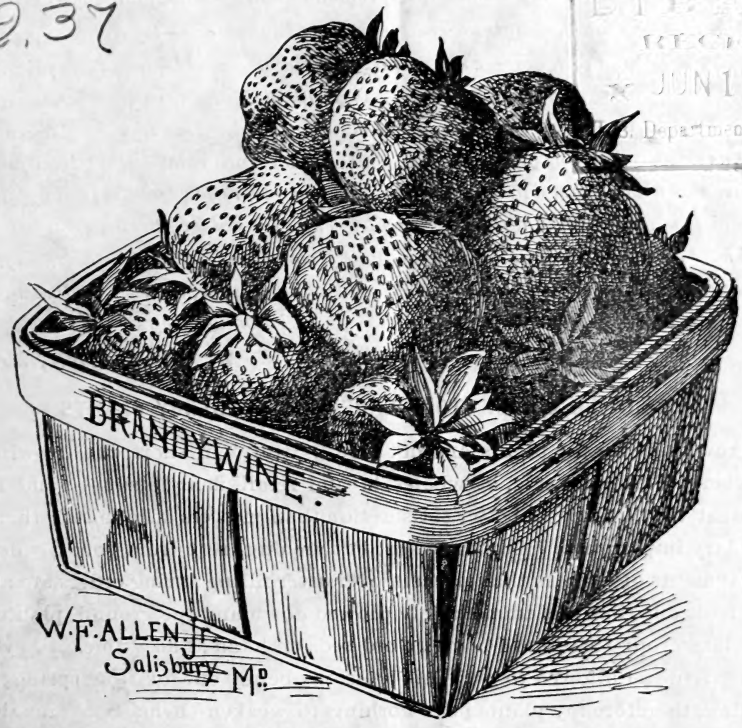
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PERMIT ME to offer my humble and profound thanks for the patronage of the past years. The fact that my trade continues to steadily increase—the call for the goods I offer almost doubling each year—engenders a sentiment deeper and purer than pride. My business has now attained large proportions, perhaps the largest business exclusively in Strawberry plants, conducted in America, if not in the world. Last spring orders came in almost as thick and fast as grass will spring up after an April rain, and yet I am proud to say there was not one complaint to every five hundred orders filled; while many flattering testimonials were received in almost every mail. This year my facilities are greatly enlarged and I have over SIXTY ACRES in plant beds from which to fill orders this spring. My plants were never finer, abundant fall rains making them large, vigorous and well-rooted. Awaiting your kind favors, I am


Faithfully yours,

W. F. ALLEN, Jr.


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I commence to fill orders just as soon as we can dig plants in the spring and all possible haste is made in getting them off. My customers are never more anxious to get their plants than I am to send them, but I never have plants taken up in the fall and kept over to fill early orders. They are taken up when wanted and not before. Nor am I hindered in filling orders by handling other nursery stock. *The Strawberry is the one thing claiming my attention in the Spring.*

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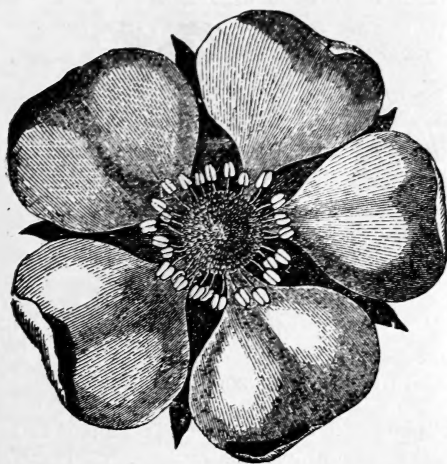
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The blossoms of all varieties are bi-sexual or perfect, except those marked with the letter *P*,

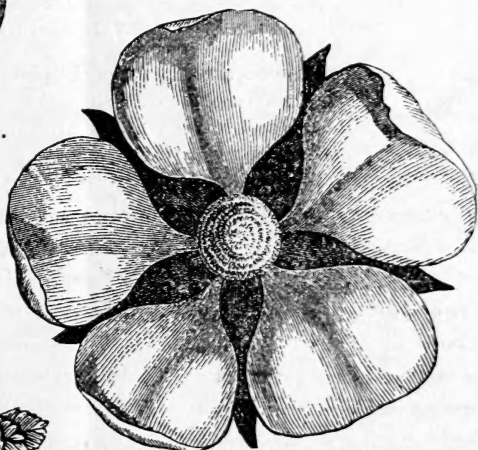


which are destitute of stamens and are termed pistillate or imperfect, as are shown by the following figures. Pistillate varieties must have a row of perfect-flowered sort planted every nine or twelve feet apart among them, or, better yet, every third or fourth row, to pollenize their blossoms. when properly fertilized the pistillate varieties are the most pro-

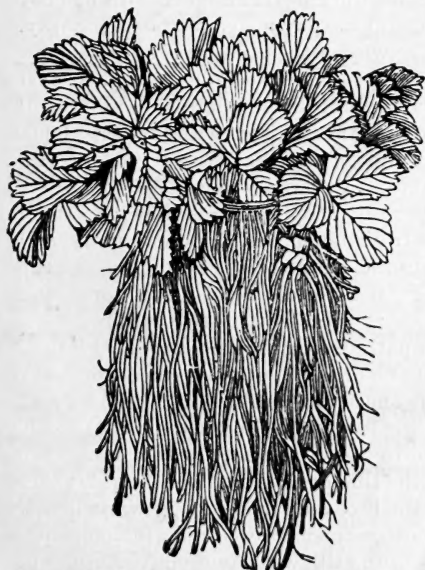


BI-SEXUAL or PERFECT BLOSSOM.

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PISTILLATE or IMPERFECT BLOSSOM.



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Trimmed and Tied Ready for Shipment.**

In shipping plants we send out nothing but young plants, grown under the so-called "pedigree system." We never send out old plants. When grown on deep, black soil the roots of young plants are of a dark color, but soft, succulent and nearly uniform in size and appearance. With old plants the lower roots are black, dead and wiry, with generally a few young roots just below where the leaves are joined to the crown. We clean all plants of dead leaves and tie in bunches before packing. To ship long distances in good condition, and to overcome the danger of damage in shipment, we pack large lots in cases designed and manufactured expressly for that purpose.

HOW AND WHEN TO PLANT.



FIG. 7.
SET JUST RIGHT.

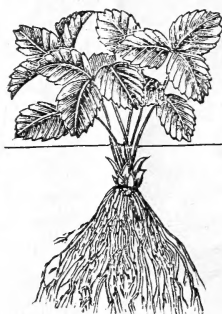


FIG. 8.
SET TOO DEEP.



FIG. 9.
SET TOO SHALLOW.

Figure 7 shows you a plant properly placed in the ground. The top of the crown, where the leaves come out, should be just above the surface, after the plant is set and the soil leveled down around it. The lines in these figures indicate the surface of the ground.

Figure 8 shows a plant set too deep. Earth over the crown will usually kill it, or at least prevent its doing well. Fig. 9 shows a plant set too shallow. The air can get to the roots, and so can the sunshine, and the plant will not do well under such conditions. The roots should all be in the ground. I do not suppose anyone would set a plant quite as deep as in figure 8, nor quite as shallow as shown by figure 9. I have exaggerated these cuts to make the lesson plain. Also the leaves on the plant are a little more upright than you will usually find them when setting out. They often crinkle down so as to be in the way. Of course we had to put them up out of the way in these pictures so as to show you plainly just how to do the setting. Do not make the holes except as fast as you want to set the plants, so as to have the soil moist where the roots will touch. Take the plants out of the pail only as fast as you want to set them.

EARLY SPRING, just as soon as the ground can be easily worked, IS THE BEST TIME OF THE WHOLE YEAR to plant Strawberries, in any section where there are extreme frosts in winter, especially if planting is to be done on a large scale and plants have to be brought from a distance. How to plant will depend largely upon local conditions, size and shape of the field, etc. In the small family garden or city lot, where there is little chance to use horse and cultivator, they may be planted one foot apart each way, in two or three rows; then leave a space of three feet to furnish path during picking season. Planted in this way, all runners should be kept off the original plants, since for their best development they require each about one square foot.

For field culture mark out the rows $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet wide and set plants 18 to 20 inches apart in the rows. Then if we wish to follow the narrow row system we let each plant strike a few runners along the line of the row, and then, later in the season, keep all runners off; while if the broad matted row is wanted, all runners are allowed to take root and the cultivator narrowed up a little at each cultivation during the latter part of the season, till we have matted rows of plants two feet wide, with walk one foot wide between them. The narrow row is the more profitable of these two systems, yet the matted row is the most adopted, as many are of the opinion that the more plants the more berries.

POOR PLANTS AND GOOD PLANTS.



FIG. 2.—A POOR PLANT, at any price, or even as a gift. I have often bought

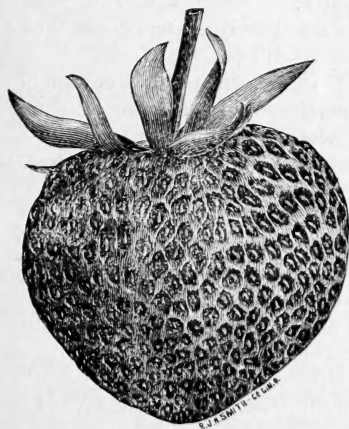
new varieties at fancy prices and had just this kind of stock sent me, and opening them I often hear my workmen say: "Why is it people send you such common plants? You do not send away anything as common as that." We do not send our customers any such plants, but throw all such in the trash heap.



FIG. 3.—A GOOD PLANT,

Now look at figure 3 and you will get some idea of the kind of plants you get when you order from me. I buy plants largely myself and for my own planting I would sooner pay \$5 per 1000 for plants like the the one shown in fig. 3 than I would plant fig. 2 as a gift. I have tried both and know whereof I speak. Fig. 2 will stay just as far behind fig. 3 all the year as it appears in the above illustrations; no matter how much attention you give them. Now friends, decide which you will take, and if you decide on fig. 3 plants I would be pleased to have your order, and will do all in my power to give you satisfaction, but if you want the kind shown in fig. 2 SEND TO THAT OTHER FELLOW.

BRANDYWINE.—The plant is remarkably vigorous, of large size, and as



BRANDYWINE.

hardy and healthy as any ever set out. An experienced grower in New England says it is the easiest variety to transplant he ever saw. It sends out many strong runners and produces fruit in abundance. It has a perfect blossom and its fruit colors all over as well as the best. Its season is rather late and every berry usually comes to maturity. It has a large, green calyx that adds to the attractiveness of the fruit. The berries are very large, nearly always of regular, conical form; color, bright glossy red, which extend to to the centre; flesh, firm and of very excellent quality. The seeds are but slightly imbedded, which, with its firmness, will enable it to bear carrying to a distant market. Its great pro-

ductiveness, very large size, beauty of form and color, firmness and high quality will make it a desirable variety for any purpose. I do not know of any fault nor do I know of any other sort yet offered that possesses all the desirable qualities in such great perfection. It is seldom that I give advice, but I will say that as one dollar will buy twelve healthy plants next April, which may

be increased to one thousand during the season. I believe it to be one of the best opportunities ever offered to put a dollar where it will bring great returns.

The following extracts from The Rural New Yorker consist of notes taken on the experimental farm of that paper on the dates named:

The two berries which we would especially commend to our readers are Brandywine and Timbrell. Both are abundant bearers, healthy and vigorous vines. Of the two, Brandywine will, perhaps, *please the market best*, because the berry ripens in every part uniformly, while the Timbrell colors unevenly. If we allowed ourselves to form positive conclusions from a single season's trial and were desirous of setting out a new bed for home use, we would plant, of all the varieties in our present collection, the Timbrell and the Brandywine; and if confined to but one of the two, we would choose the Timbrell on account of its excellent quality.

In the issue of July 29, 1893:

Brandywine is wonderfully productive, beginning to ripen (June 11th). The size is of the largest, heart shape at its best; often sharply angular, without being coxcombed or crinkled. A fine keeper and shipper. Quality excellent, though not best.

June 14.—Brandywine just ripening. Large, fine quality, somewhat seamed, but fairly regular. It is a fine late productive berry of the best quality for so late a berry. Firm

June 21.—Brandywine is the best late berry we know of. Good shape, good quality, firm and productive.

This from the Michigan Agricultural College:

MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. June 31, 1894:—The Brandywine fruited here this year and was the most promising new kind tested. The plants were very strong and healthy and the fruits were very much above the average in size. As our record shows it stood 9.4 for productiveness, 9.5 for quality and 8.5 in firmness. I would say that the plants of the Brandywine were very satisfactory.

Yours very truly, L. R. TAFT.

The following is from the pomologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, to Mr. Ingram, the originator of Brandywine:

Washington, D. C., June 11, 1894. MR. E. T. INGRAM, Dear Sir:—your letter of June 8th, and crate of Brandywine strawberries received June 9th, for which accept my sincere thanks. The berries were distributed among the following parties: Hon. J. Sterling Morton, Secretary of Agriculture; Hon. Donald McCraig, Chief Clerk, Department of Agriculture; Mr. Wm. Saunders, Superintendent of Grounds and Gardens; Members of the Division of Pomology; and Mr. Wm. A. Leishear, one of the principal commission merchants of this city. All were delighted with the quality, beautiful color and firm condition of the berry. I know of no other large berry of the same uniform size possessed of as brilliant a color and as delightful a flavor. I should be pleased to have its history, whether it was a chance seedling or an intended cross, and if the latter, what was its parentage. Samples of the foliage would be highly prized as they are needed to complete our painting of the berry.

Yours respectfully, S. B. HEIGES.

Washington, D. C., June 13, 1894. MR. E. T. INGRAM, Dear Sir:—a sample plant of the Brandywine strawberry was received this morning. The plant shows great hardiness, possesses fine foliage and is truly wonderful in productiveness, both in size and quality of fruit.

Yours truly, S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

A commission merchant, who handled some Brandywine berries, wrote as follows:

Washington, D. C., June 15, 1894, MR. E. T. INGRAM, Dear Sir.—Please find enclosed statement of strawberries received to date, with check for some. They are a very fine berry of superior quality. The size, color and flavor can not be surpassed. When you are ready to put the plants on the market we shall try and induce some of our best gardeners to give them a trial.

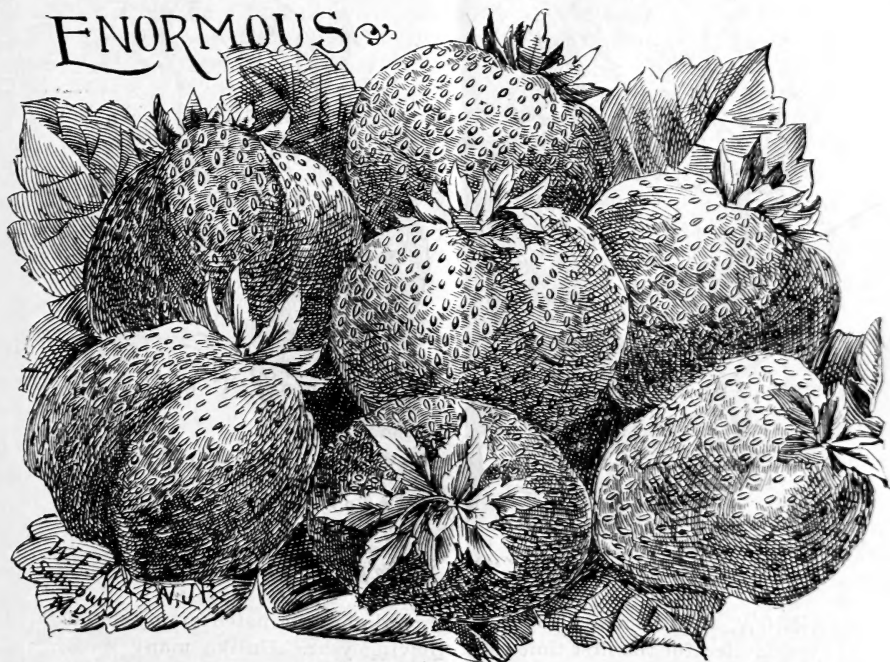
Yours very truly,

B. P. WATROUS.

Mr. Ingram writes that all the berries he sold in Washington last June brought from 15 to 20 cents per quart.

We believe that every reader of this catalogue would do well to invest in at least one dozen of this new variety, as all the testimony we have given above is from reliable and disinterested parties. Twelve plants will only cost \$1, or 100 plants for \$5.

ENORMOUS



ENORMOUS—This comes from Illinois and was originated by a Mr. Curtis of that state. This new berry has not been highly lauded by nurserymen, as it is as yet but little known, but is sure to make its mark. Mr. J. G. Bubach, the well known originator of Bubach No. 5, says: I consider it equal to the best I ever saw, and I have been fruiting all the best kinds introduced for over thirty-five years. This is strong testimony. I can truthfully say without hesitation that it makes the largest, most robust and healthy plants of any variety I ever saw, and the fruit! well!! it is enough to say that the above illustration is no exaggeration. My stock of this variety is very limited and I will only have four or five Thousand to spare by the Dozen and Hundred, and would not part with the balance at any price, as I want a good quantity of them for my own planting. Try a Dozen and you will be highly pleased with them. First orders received will be first supplied,



ARROW.—This is a seedling of the Haverland, originated at my hands in 1890 and fruited for the first time the following year. Unlike many seedlings it has seemed to increase in vigor and size with each successive fruiting. A strong vein of its Crescent blood is marked in the plant, which is of very vigorous habit, with a bright and healthy foliage, absolutely free from rust in all seasons. The fruit ripens with Haverland and resembles it closely in form, but is much brighter in color, firmer in texture and of higher flavor. On my soil it is very nearly, if not quite, as productive as Haverland, both in quarts and in number of berries, for, though falling below Haverland in size of its largest specimens, it maintains a greater uniformity in size and shape. It inherits the valuable characteristic, so notable in its parent, of bearing a pistillate flower that is very easily fertilized, having some pollen of its own, and occasionally a bi-sexual blossom is seen. I consider it a variety of much merit, and if it succeeds as well elsewhere as in Wisconsin it will become very popular.—E. W. CONE.

Arrow has made a wonderful growth here. The foliage is vigorous and very healthy. It has not yet fruited here but looks very promising. Try a dozen.



CYCLONE has a perfect flower, is the earliest with me; the plant is large and a vigorous grower, free from rust. It is as healthy and hardy as any ever sent out, makes many runners and is enormously productive. It excels all other varieties we have ever fruited of the early varieties. We do not claim for it the largest size, but that it is above medium average, always of uniform shape, a beautiful color—the berries color all over at once a bright red; then changing to a dark glossy red; the flavor is excellent and is a No. 1 shipper.—ORIGINATOR.

Dr. J. Stayman says in the season of 1893, which was a bad one for Kansas, "The Cyclone is a strong grower, large, conical, handsome early berry; very productive. It was somewhat injured by frost, but produced a fair crop. This we regard as one of the best, as early as Beder Wood, and much larger and finer."

In Dr. Stayman's report to THE STRAWBERRY CULTURIST for 1894, he describes it as a strong grower, healthy, berry medium to large, oblong, conic, good color, very productive and early.

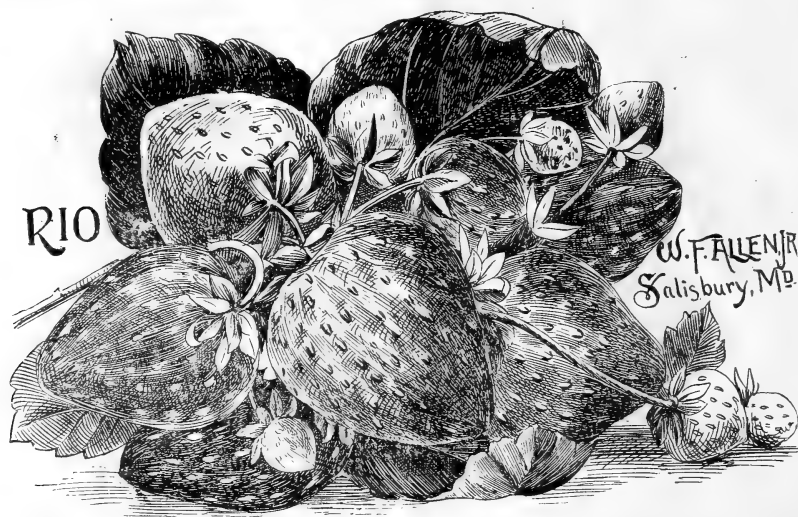
Cyclone will take the place of Crescent for productiveness, a firmer berry and a good plant maker. Growers will not go amiss in planting this.

J. C. BAUER.

The Cyclone is a healthy, luxuriant grower and a good bearer. The fruit is of good size, conical, glossy red and of fair quality.

M. CRAWFORD.

I believe this berry has a future. I have watched the reports closely this year and have not as yet seen a single unfavorable report of the Cyclone. With me it is one of the finest and most luxuriant growers I have. Foliage healthy and even more vigorous than the Haverland, which it very much resembles. It is very productive of fruit that is firm, above medium size, and well colored. It is at least one week ahead of Haverland here.



RIO—Perfect blossom. This is a most beautiful early berry. Originated by M. T. Thompson, and is a seedling of Sharpless. The foliage is healthy, the color a beautiful bright red, and wonderfully productive. While it is not as large as Tennessee Prolific, it makes an excellent match. It has a very large green calyx that makes it look very handsome. Once in awhile the larger ones are coxcombed, but it ripens up evenly. The skin seems tough and for the first two or three days they hold their color as well as when first picked. We feel sure Rio has a future for earliness, productiveness and shipping quality.

Rio is a very productive, large early berry for market or home use; ripens with Van Deman and Mitchel, and runs through the season. Plant growth vigorous, light green, moderate runner. This has a future, and will be a standard berry.—JACOB C. BAUER.

M. Crawford says Rio made a great growth last year and sent out a sufficient number of runners. It was among the first to ripen. The fruit was medium to large. The first berries were double and unattractive, but latter pickings were quite regular in form. The color is glossy red and the quality rather above the average.

Under date of June 5th the Rural New Yorker reports as follows: First ripe berries of Rio picked this date. It is nearly the earliest variety of our collection, and far the hardiest. The berries are the largest and best quality. Scarlet, medium firm, high quality, broadly ovate, somewhat fan shaped but not coxcombed. As a first early berry this is well worthy of a trial, because of its size shape quality and color. We know of no better quality in so early a berry.

I could give several pages of testimonials like the above but cannot spare the space to say more as I have lots of other kinds to tell you about; the Rio has made a remarkably good growth at the Peninsula Plant Farms, and what fruit I have seen from young plants was very nice; good size, well colored and firm. The vines are healthy and free from rust. Try it.

BISEL—The Bisel is a seedling of the Wilson propagated in 1887. Blossoms are pistillate. Plants healthy, vigorous grower and abundant plant makers. They have long, fine matted roots which enables them to stand severe drouths. The fruit is very large luscious and firm. Color, a deep glossy red with double calyx. Very productive; season same as the Crescent but continues to fruit later and very uniform in shape and size. The fruit is held from the ground by large fruit trusses but is protected from frost by its large foliage. One of the best plant makers. Runners large and long and sets its plants wide apart. Can be set $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet in the row and make a solid row sufficient to produce a full crop.—Originator.

This variety is from southern Illinois where it has a great reputation as a profitable market berry. Having heard so much of the variety I was anxious to see how it would behave here. The plant is a good grower and is able to carry its great load of fruit to maturity. The berries are very large, of regular conical form, bright red, quite firm and with seed but slightly imbedded, flesh is light red and of good flavor.

MARY,—It is the largest strawberry yet produced, the most prolific, the most beautiful and firmest large strawberry yet offered.



The berries are uniformly of the conical form, with blunt apex, exceptionally uniform in size and shape, deep crimson color, and of extra rich, high quality. Of the entire list of strawberries there is not a single sort that will keep longer when ripe, or endure shipping better. Its season is medium to late. The berries retaining their large size remarkably well to the end. A characteristic of the variety is that its fruit is rarely ill shaped, never coxcombed—an unusual feature in a large berry.

We have now had it in bearing three successive years and as it has not developed a defect, and is so extraordinary in size, productiveness, firmness, beauty and quality it is with a keen sense of pleasure we offer it to the public.—Introducers.

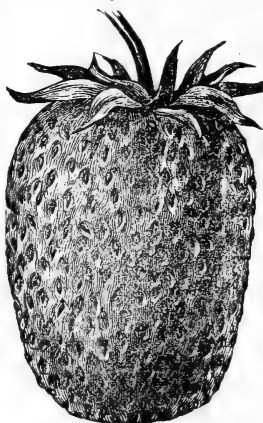
I have not yet fruited this berry but hear good things of it from several disinterested sources. A New York city commission merchant who has handled the fruit advised me to plant largely of it for market. My stock of plants is limited but what I have is very fine being grown on light rich soil. My plants of this variety will average three times as large as the original ones sent me by the introducers.

BANQUET—A cross of the wild field strawberry with one of the best of the large cultivated varieties; it combines size and productiveness with the delicious flavor of the wild strawberry.—INTRODUCER.

This year berries were produced measuring an inch and a half in diameter which is certainly large enough. The berries sent us were of a uniform conical shape; while a few are shouldered none are coxcomb shaped; the fruit is per-

fectly ripened at the end opposite the stem. The color is a rich crimson without that tendency to turn black—so unfortunate in some varieties. After carefully testing the Banquet we accord it a place among the highest flavored strawberries. The exquisite flavor of the wild fruit is so marked that we can readily believe that this is due to the crossing with the wild plant.—AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST. [Not fruited here yet.]

PARIS KING—This new variety is from Illinois but I am not posted on its history and cannot say much about it this season. The plants are very healthy and vigorous, entirely free from rust and looks promising. It was recommended to me by Mr. J. G. Bubach as a suitable pollenizer for large varieties like the Enormous, Bubach No. 5 etc. Mr. Bubach is a well posted man on strawberries and I take it for granted that he would not recommend a variety that is not GILT EDGE. I can supply a limited quantity of very fine plants to those who wish to try it on Mr. Bubach's recommendation.



BELLE.

BELLE.—About five years ago a single plant of this variety was sent me for trial, by the originator, Mr. M. T. Thompson, (Cleveland Nursery Co.) I was so well pleased with it that I purchased the plants and increased the stock. In the spring of '93 I sent it out on trial, as "51". Several hundred persons bought one or two plants each, agreeing to report upon it after the fruiting season this year. These reports are now coming in. Some lost their plants by last year's drouth, and some their fruit crop by freezing weather this spring, but many had a fair chance to judge of its merits. Most of these think it promising, and some are enthusiastic in its praise. It has a perfect blossom and is late in ripening. It is very productive and the fruit is large. The best specimens are long, but many of the largest are fair shaped and from two to three inches across.—M. CRAWFORD.

Of all the new berries introduced since the Bubach, I am quite sure in preferring Belle. It is a wonderfully fine affair.—E. P. POWELL.

Belle is a dandy here.—SAMUEL MILLER.

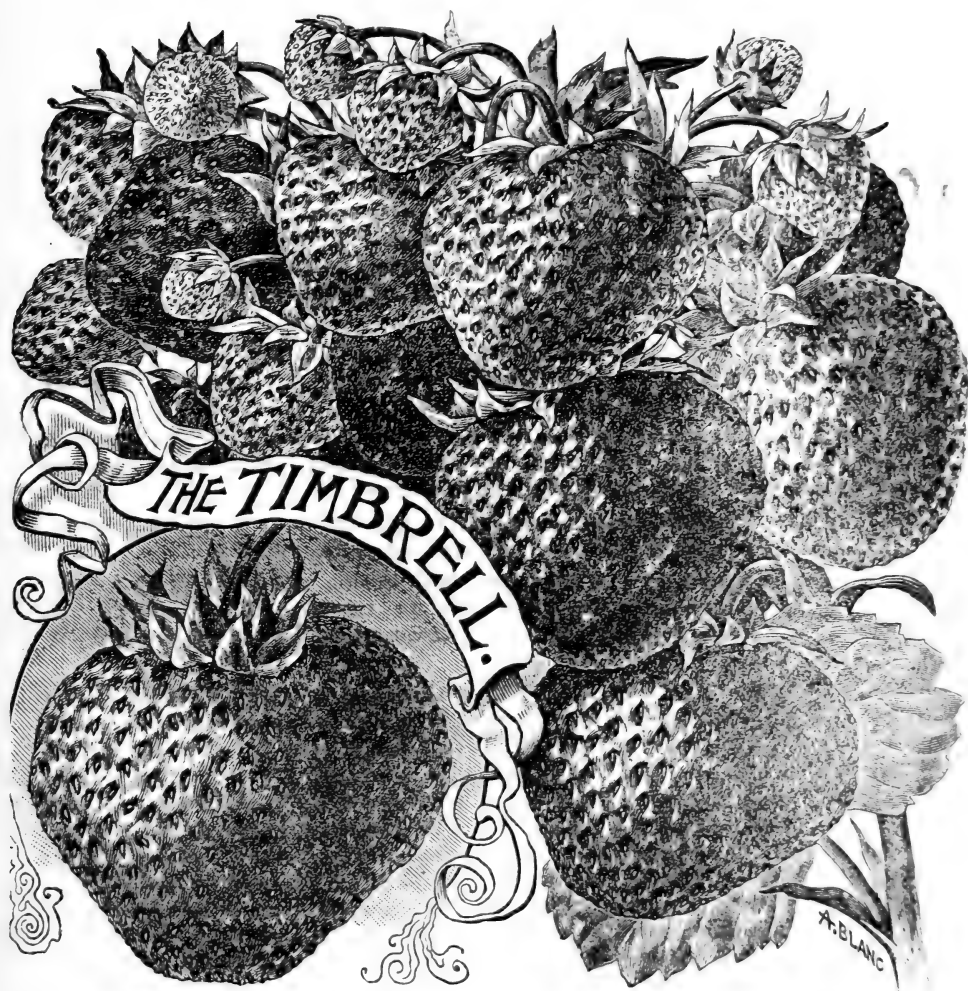
Belle medium to very large; foliage good but not quite so vigorous as Rio; good stem, berry of good quality and firm.—PETER COLLIER, Director New York Experiment Station.

The Belle are fine strawberries and are doing well here.—E. KELLNER, Foreman California Experiment station.

The Belle has not fruited here yet. The plants have made a good growth and those who wish to try the Belle cannot get better plants than from here.

IVANHOE.—This berry was originated by Geo. W. Trowbridge, Hamilton county, Ohio, and is a seedling of that beautiful berry, the "Prince of Berries." We have fruited it now for three years, and will say that it is of good size, firm and an excellent shipper; beautiful color and of the finest flavor; foliage healthy. It is nearer the ideal strawberry than has yet been reached.—INTRODUCER.

I know nothing of this berry, except what plants I set last spring has made a fair growth and look healthy and free from rust.



TIMBRELL.—This is a grand berry, it was originated about six years ago by Mr. H. S. Timbrell of Orange county, New York. It has been tested in many sections and a vast majority of the reports are favorable while some are exceedingly flattering. A few reports unfavorable but I am inclined to think unfavorable conditions was the cause; as here, there are but few varieties that will equal it in strong healthy robust plants that are able to carry an immense load of fruit; here it is immensely productive of large fruit that in quality is simply superb. The fruit, when ripe, has the peculiarity of being mottled or spotted, crimson and scarlet intermingled. This does not detract from its beauty in my estimation, as I picked Timbrells last spring that would be hard to beat for beauty. I give below the opinions of a few well known growers.

Timbrell—It has fruited here twice, and I am glad to report that the plant is all that can be desired for health, vigor and productiveness; and it is certain-

ly the latest of all so far. The fruit is very large, usually of good shape, and of excellent flavor. This season it failed to ripen uniformly with me, remaining white on the under side when red above. I think this was owing mainly to the extreme heat, and perhaps in some measure to the fact that the soil was sandy, and no mulch was applied. A grower a few miles from here says that his colored up all right. In this connection it is but fair to say that the fruit is of fine quality before it colors all over.

I have received reports from various quarters extending over a wide acre, and some of them place it at the head of the list. A correspondent in Colorado tells of ten berries that made a heaping quart, and weighed 21 ounces. Another in New Jersey who has had it several years, considers it the most valuable variety ever introduced.—M. CRAWFORD.

Timbrell—Here we have a berry that we have long looked for. For size, quality, beauty, productiveness, firmness and health and vigor, we have no other strawberry its equal.—SAMUEL MILLER.

Timbrell has not been fruited here sufficient to determine its grade as to its productiveness or popularity upon the market but it gives promise of being one of the very best all round berries.—M. F. JOHNSON.

Timbrell (Pistillate)—A splendid late variety, very late, of excellent flavor, productive, and very desirable in every way.—J. R. HAWKINS.

I consider you a very fortunate grower in having the Timbrell strawberry as I certainly think if they do as well for you as they do with me that you will find them better in every way than any ten varieties of your very best.—W. M. VALENTINE.

IT IS THE GEM OF STRAWBERRIES. Growers have gotten to know it, and they cannot say too much in its favor. The press has also said for it more than for any other new fruit put on the market. It has been confirmed by the leading horticulturists as the best variety ever introduced, and has even surpassed its former record this season. We claim it is the best berry in existence, not only the best berry, but the most profitable for the commercial grower to plant; also, the best family variety. Points that are essential in making a good variety are **productiveness, hardiness, health with solidity** sufficient to place it in good condition on the market. Timbrell does not only possess these points, but is one of the most hardy, if not the most hardy, of the strawberry family, and in quality it surpasses any known kind. Growers have said that it was hard to get a variety perfect in all points. That we know but it is more nearly attained in this than ever before. What has been wanting was a good late variety. In Gandy Prize we have a good berry, yet it is lacking in the most important points, viz.: productiveness and hardiness, while these two points alone would make Timbrell the most desirable for a late berry. Another point is, it is the latest of all strawberries to ripen, also to bloom. **It has never lost a full crop.** The bloom being imperfect, on this point it is very valuable, as imperfect varieties stand much more frost than perfect varieties; hence in Timbrell, you will note, we have the best berry that has ever been offered.—INTRODUCER.

"Yes, I have tried the Timbrell, and it is, as judged by me, the best berry—all things considered—I have ever tried.

Abundantly productive, of the first quality, large size, and having a characteristic form, which is fairly regular; it is, besides, a firm berry. The vines are vigorous and hardy. I can hardly say too much in favor of this berry from one season's trial." Sincerely, E. S. CARMAN, Editor of the Rural New Yorker.

I will say in conclusion that I have a fine lot of Timbrell plants grown from originators stock. For large, healthy and abundantly rooted plants my stock of Timbrell can't be beat. I have put the price within reach of all.

COLUMBIAN.—In placing this berry before the public we do so with a feeling of assurance that it will please, as its place with us is first on the list. We consider it the best strawberry in cultivation. It is a bright scarlet color, so much desired in a market berry, and is quite firm and remarkably large for an early berry. Ripens with Michel's Early and Hoffman and is an immense yielder, it actually bears in piles. Most early berries are shy bearers and small in size, but the Colombian reverses this. We do not claim it to be as good, but the **best early berry**. It is a strong grower and has a perfect blossom. All who have tried the Colombian give it the highest praise. It is free from rust and sends its roots deep in the ground, thereby standing long droughts without dying out in spots.—INTRODUCER.



COLUMBIAN.

The above is the description given by the disseminator and from what we can tell from plants set last spring we have no reason to discredit his description as our Columbians are certainly among the healthiest and most vigorous growers we have. The fruit is above medium size and the firmest early berry we have seen, except Hoffman. We would advise those who want early berries to give the Colombian a trial. I have put the price very low.

Samuel Miller says Colombian is among the earliest, large size excellent quality, and firm; plant healthy.

SPLENDID.—Fruit smooth, bright red color. It is firm, a good keeper and has a perfect blossom. It begins to ripen with second picking of Crescent and holds out large berries much later; makes plants freely, plant is healthy and free from rust. In market Splendid brought 10 cents per quart when Warfield and Crescent brought 8½ cents. Splendid yielded 8000 quarts per acre when Crescent and Warfield only produced from three to five thousand quarts per acre. Truth is "stronger than fiction." In sending out the Splendid I simply describe it as it appears where it originated, believing when known, its merits will win. I do not indulge in a multitude of Superlatives such as "most remarkable", "most promising", "largest", "handsomest", "unsurpassed", etc., but state exact facts ascertained from count, measurement, observation and comparison, so that those who have not known it may get a fair idea of its characteristics.—ORIGINATOR.

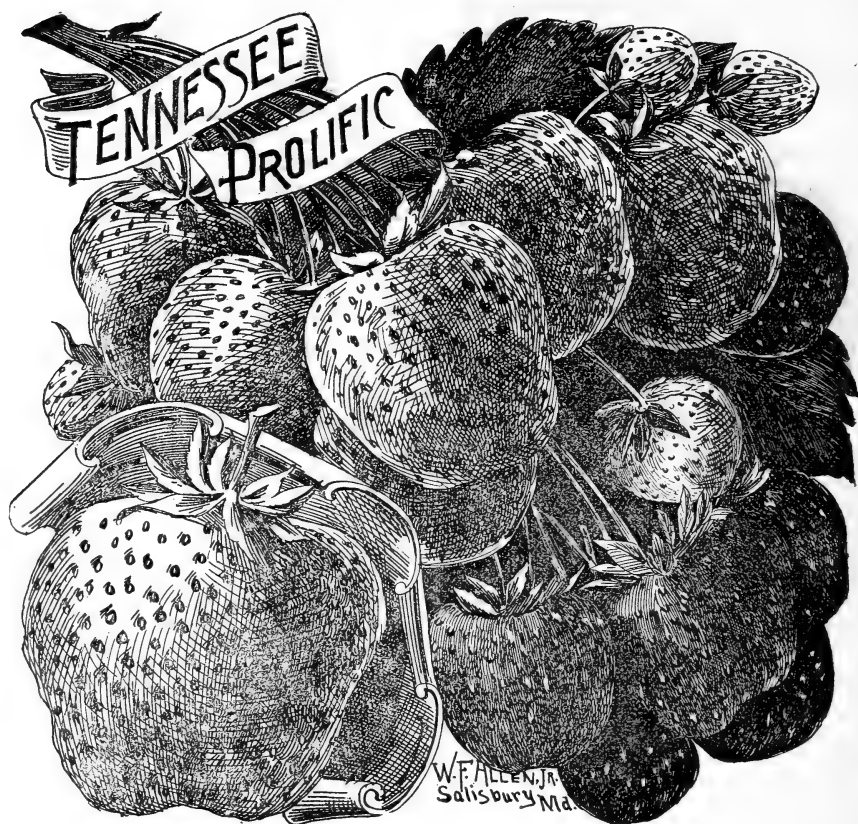
Splendid has done well in all respects, we think it will ship equal to Warfield. Quality of fruit above the average; size, above medium; color will make it attractive in market. In productiveness it should rank with Bubach, Warfield and Crescent.—GEO. J. KELLOGG & SONS.

Splendid tells for itself; in every way a desirable one.—S. MILLER.

In my experience of 15 years of fruit growing, I have never seen such a prospect for fruit as I saw on the Splendid strawberry bed.—R. W. McILMOY.

The ladies who have canned the Splendid tell me that they got two quart cans more per crate than from other sorts.—W. H. SHEPARD.

It has made a very fine growth here and looks promising; it is a good grower with healthy foliage.



TENNESSEE PROLIFIC is one of the best medium early varieties that we have seen. We have not got this in fruiting but saw it last May in Richmond on the introducers grounds, Messrs. W. T. Hood & Co. The writer went all the way to Richmond for the express purpose of seeing this new berry. Mr. Hood showed us a patch of perhaps ten acres and it was a grand sight. The fruit was large and enough of it. The quality was good, and the vines were vigorous and healthy, without a spot of rust in the whole field. They were growing on rather stiff clay land. They have made an exceptionally good growth here this summer on light soil, the plant is very healthy being entirely free from rust, and so far show every indication of producing a fine crop of fruit on light land as well as on clay. In fact I believe this is a variety that will do well under almost any circumstances and the indications are that no one who plants Tennessee Prolific will ever have cause to regret it.

What others say :

Tennessee Prolific is among the most promising of all the new ones.—SAMUEL MILLER.

I have heard a great many favorable reports for Tennessee Prolific, and not

one against it. The claims for it are that it is as large as the Bubach, more productive, of better flavor and has a perfect blossom. I allowed a number of spring set plants to bear, and the fruit was large, bright glossy red and of excellent quality. The plant is a vigorous grower, and has dark, clean, glossy foliage.—CRAWFORD.

Tennessee Prolific is a good, strong, healthy grower, no rust, very prolific—well named—bright, good looking and good sized berries, well worth trying.—REV. E. B. STEVENSON.

PRINCETON CHIEF.—Originated in Illinois in 1884. The following is the

originators description: "it is a tall luxuriant grower, with large, dark green foliage, free from rust or disease, very prolific, enduring extremes of heat or cold. It has been tested on different soils for six years: it will grow on any soil the same as the Crescent. The blossom is large and perfect and always sets perfect fruit.



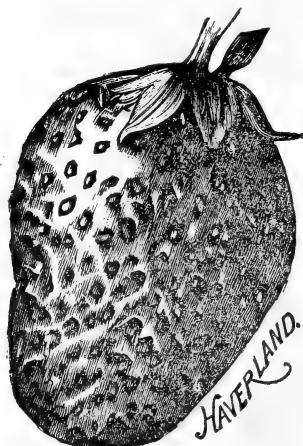
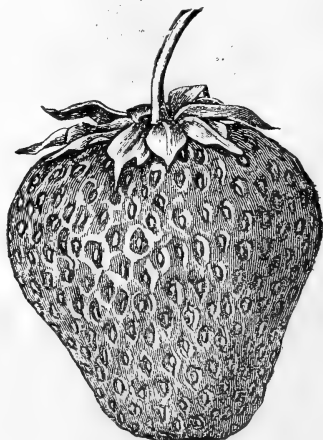
PRINCETON CHIEF.

The fruit is produced in great abundance, on tall, stout stems, which stand up from six to eight inches the

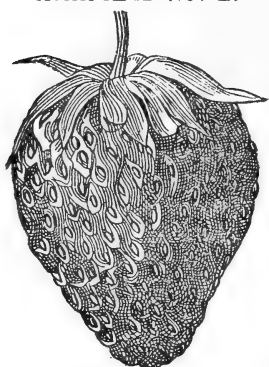
entire season, holding its load of berries from the ground: there are no berries on the ground to get dirty, rotten or scalded. The fruit is given the best chance to mature and ripens all over at once, leaving no green spots or white tips. It is beautiful in color, being of a dark glossy red, which alone will make it an ornament for any table. They are so beautiful in appearance that the moment they are put on the market they will sell like hot cakes for the highest price. The flavor is delicious and very sweet: being one of the sweetest of strawberries, it can be called the honey strawberry: while its fine aromatic flavor, resembling that of the wild strawberry, makes it one of the most delicious of berries."—ORIGINATOR. Not fruited here.

BEVERLY.—The plant is a very vigorous, healthy grower and a prolific bearer. It has a perfect blossom and is not liable to be injured by a late frost. Its season is from medium to late, and it bears a long time, holding up in size well to the last. The berry resembles its parent, the Miner's Prolific, being of large size, regular form, and often a little uneven on the surface. It is dark, glossy red all over, and not inclined to fade. The flesh is firm and very good. I have heard no unfavorable reports so far.

From what I have seen and heard, the plant of the Beverly is all that could be desired—large, and perfectly healthy, sending out great numbers of runners, and astonishingly productive, surpassing in this respect, the Bidwell, Jewel, Crescent and other noted varieties grown in the same garden with an equal chance.

**BEVERLY.**

HAVERLAND.—A native of Ohio, but does not lose its reputation by going into other states. This is one of the most productive berries on the market to-day. The plant is a very vigorous grower. It is a fine shipping variety, and, as it is very large, will command good prices in market for years to come. No one will regret planting it. I shall plant largely of it for market as I believe it to be one of the most profitable varieties in cultivation.

**WARFIELD NO. 2.**

WARFIELD NO. 2.—As a general purpose berry for North, South, East and West, there is no better variety than this. It has been widely disseminated, and its record is sufficient to place it in the list of standard sorts not only, but well at the head of that list, combining, as it does, every requisite of a first class berry adapted to general cultivation. It succeeds everywhere, and never fails to produce a paying crop. Ahead of Crescent in time, size, form and quality, rivaling it in health, hardiness, vigor and productiveness, and much superior in color and firmness, it deserves to supercede that well known variety in every section.

MUSKINGUM.—We have been cultivating and testing this variety for about four years, being better pleased with its behavior each year, till now it is our main cropper. It makes a large, perfect blossom on good stout fruit stems, and is very prolific in bearing, and in vigor and growth the plant is not surpassed by any. Never blights, scalds or burns in the leaf, no matter how hot or wet the weather. The berries are of large size, and continues large to the end of the season. In form obtuse, conical but mostly round toward last of the season; yet few of the very largest ones are coxcombed. They ripen very evenly all over; we have had them hang on the vines several days after ripening without spoiling. The berry is of very nice, red, glossy color, with red flesh, and of good flavor, which makes it a good berry for home use and one of the most profitable market berries we have ever grown. Unfortunately the grubs got in my Muskingum this year and cut short my supply of plants. I can therefore only offer them by the hundred.



GREENVILLE.—I have seen this in fruit and am very favorably impressed with it. As compared with Bubach it is about equal to it in size and more productive, while it is much firmer and the plant twice as prolific a grower. No one need hesitate to plant Greenville, as it has already practically become a standard variety.

Granton, Ontario, Canada.—The Greenville strawberry plants sent here for testing still maintain my former reports about them. The plant is without blemish, vigorous and productive. It is a showy market sort. I value it much and find no weak points in it after three years' test. I can fully recommend it for general cultivation.

Yours truly,

JOHN LITTLE.

(Mr. Little is considered among the best authorities on strawberries in Can.)

Taken as a whole, it was one of the very best among some 150 different varieties fruited at the Missouri Agricultural Experiment Station this season. The Crescent is the only one equaling it in productiveness, while but two excelled it in size.—John W. Clark, Horticulturist.

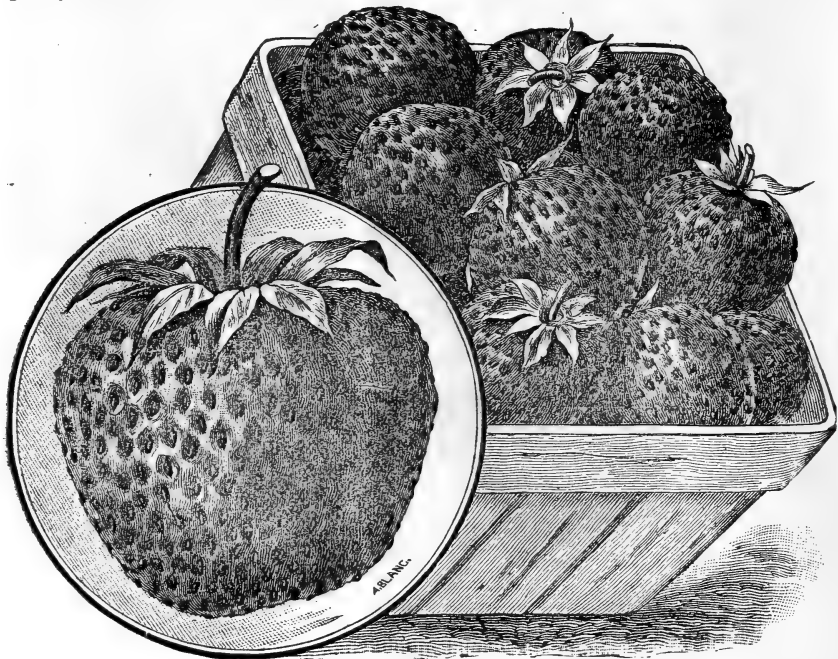
State College, Center County, Penna. E. M. Beuchly, Dear Sir. The Greenville strawberry gave the best results of all the varieties grown here this season. The yield was the largest and the quality of the berries very fine. This berry

promises to hold a foremost place among the future standard sorts. The plants are vigorous and hardy. It deserves the highest recommendation.

Very truly,

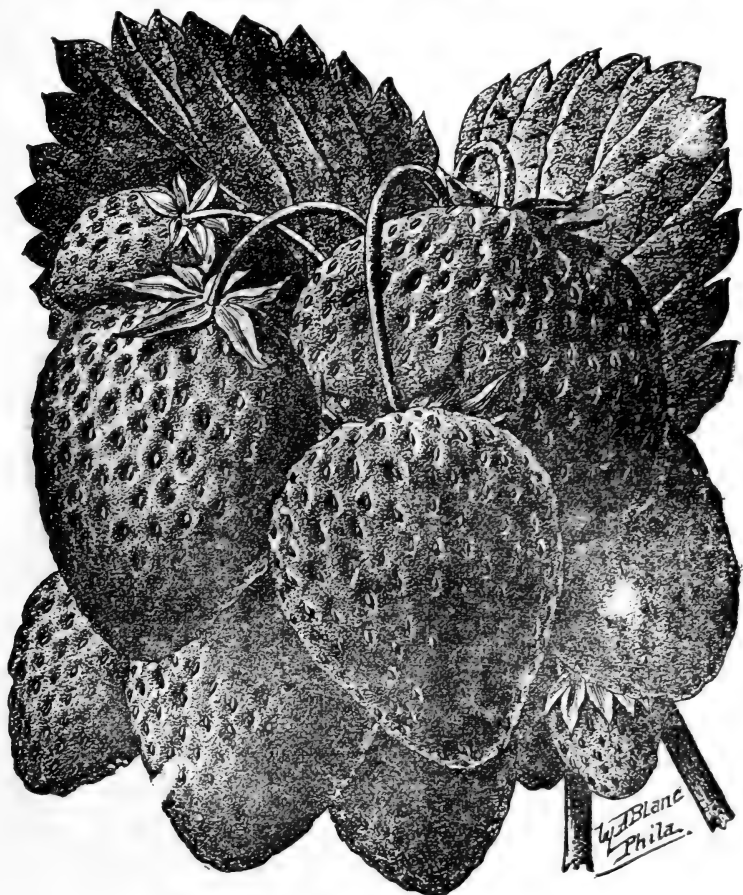
GEO. C. BUTZ.

I could fill one-half of this book with good words for the Greenville, but have not room for more. I will add, however, that as grown here, I have never seen any large variety that would fully equal the Greenville in productiveness. It is a berry that is bound to give satisfaction. As compared with Gandy it will give a full ordinary crop of mid season berries, and then as many or more late berries than the Gandy. I have put the price very low so all can give it a fair trial. If you are a large grower plant an acre of Greenville and you will be glad you did so.



WOOLVERTON.

WOOLVERTON.—I have fruited this in both hills and matted rows, and am convinced that it is a variety of great merit. Wherever it has been tested it has made a good record. It is a splendid grower, remaining green and healthy all summer, sending out a good number of runners, and bearing abundantly. The blossom is perfect, and it remains in bloom a long time. In fact it always matures a part of its crop before it is done blooming. This is a valuable characteristic, because it will prevent any great loss by a late frost, and also make it a rare variety to plant with pistillates. The fruit is very large, resembling Burbach in form. The color is a beautiful bright red and the quality is good. I am very glad to offer this variety to my customers as I think it is one that will give satisfaction. It was originated by John Little of Canada, and named for the editor of the Canadian Horticulturist. It is one of the best to plant with pistillate varieties as it has a large bi-sexual blossom heavily charged with pollen. Plant largely of this, it is one of the best.

**BARTON'S ECLIPSE.**

BARTON'S ECLIPSE.—Another season has sustained my former good opinion of this berry, and I feel confident no one will regret planting this grand variety. It is not widely disseminated nor well known, but it is a splendid grower, perfectly healthy and enormously productive. It is probably not excelled in these respects. The fruit is very large, of good form and color, and of the same general character as the Haverland. It will be a great market berry ripens medium early, and is positively one of the most valuable ever introduced. I plant largely of this variety for fruit, and it has never yet disappointed me in making a large crop of fine berries.

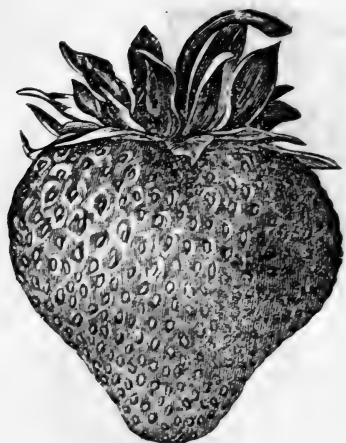
ROBINSON.—This berry came from Kansas, modestly, without the usual advertising to push it, and is yet little known except in the West, but wherever tried it has proved to be a variety of unusual merit, especially as a shipper. It possesses a rare combination the four chief points of superiority required by the market grower—it has a healthy, extra vigorous plant of the Crescent type, that fully equals Beeder Wood in growth, and easily surpasses it in productiveness, the fruit has the desirable qualities of beauty in form and color, with unequalled firmness of texture. It ripens late, maintaining a uniform size to the close of the season.—E. W. CONE.

**BEEDER WOOD.**

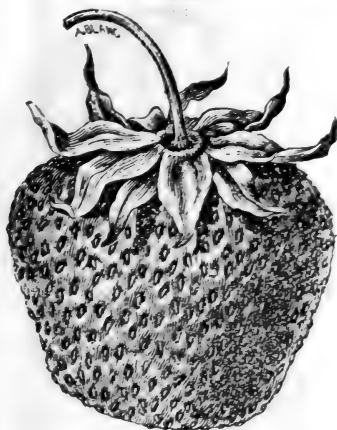
BEEDER WOOD.—this is one of the berries that can be depended upon, and any one without it is not in the swim, as the phrase goes. But a few days behind Mitchel, lasts long, good size, quality good, an abundant bearer, and will pass through a drought that will kill most varieties. Healthy foliage and makes plenty of plants. The above cut is a fair illustration of its size and shape. It is very productive and one of the most reliable early sorts.

BUBACH NO. 5.—This variety has taken a prominent position in strawberry culture, in most places taking the place of the Sharpless, which it resembles in shape, but it is fully double as productive as that variety. This berry is a wonder in its season of fruit, completely covering the ground about the plant with large berries. The Bubach is a strictly pistillate variety and needs to be well fertilized with some perfect flowering kind. The fruit is large and irregular in shape, holding out quite large until the last picking. The flavor is ordinarily good. My stock of Bubach is exceptionally fine, as I have been selecting the healthiest, best growing and most productive plants until now my stock is worth much more than the average Bubach that is sent out.

**BUBACH NO. 5.**



MEEKS EARLY.

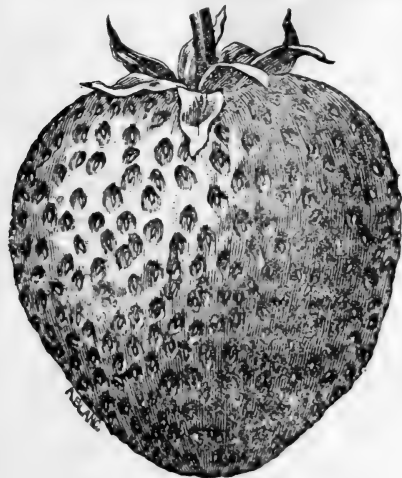


SAUNDERS.

MEEK'S EARLY ripens with Mitchell's Early, Hoffman, etc. It is quite firm, large size for an early berry, and more productive than most early sorts. I believe this is destined to become the leading berry for many sections. The plants are large and vigorous, does not make as many runners as Mitchell's Early, but plants are twice as large.

SAUNDERS.—Canadian berry of great value for the market grower. I wish that all my customers would test it, as it is among the most desirable. The plant is large and vigorous, and is as healthy and hardy as any ever sent out. It makes many runners, has a perfect blossom and is very productive. The fruit is very large, conical, slightly flattened, and often has a depression on one or both sides. It is deep red and remarkably glossy. The flesh is of the same color, and has a sprightly, agreeable flavor. This is also a very fine variety to plant with pistillate sorts. This is a good berry for most any purpose.

ENHANCE.—It is a general purpose berry, and can be grown for a fancy or high priced market, for home use, for canning, for pleasure or for profit. The plant is a vigorous and healthy grower, with dark green foliage; it sets an abundance of well proportioned runners which easily take root. It is a beautiful grower; its flower is perfect. The quality is good, being slightly acid but not sour. Its berries are of the large size, and being very firm and of a bright crimson color, makes them very attractive and saleable. Its firmness aids in its keeping qualities both before and after being picked.



ENHANCE.

MITCHEL'S EARLY.—The plant is a vigorous grower, fairly productive, of good size and matures its crop early when berries are high. One of the best to fertilize with, as it blooms through a long season, and is full of pollen.



HOFFMAN.

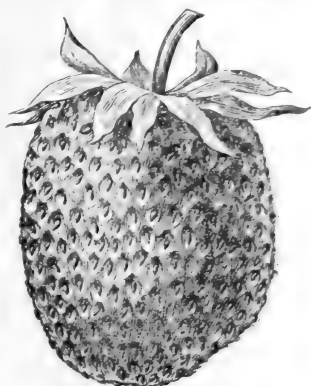
HOFFMAN is too well known to need much comment, being one of the most popular varieties grown in the South for northern markets. The true stock is of fair size, moderately productive, and the firmest of all early kinds yet introduced. My stock of this variety is as pure and as fine as it is possible to get them. I can certainly supply those who want Hoffman with stock that will please.

PRINCESS.—From what I have seen of this berry I believe it to be one of the very best market varieties ever introduced. It was one of the few that yielded heavily on my place last season. I have grown it two years and find it to be a healthy, vigorous grower, making an abundance of strong runners. While it has no defects that I am aware of, its strong points are its wonderful productiveness, large size and attractive appearance.

E. H. Benson in *Fruit Growers' Journal* says: "Princess is indeed a magnificent variety. In plant, fruit, quality, and quantity, we cannot name its equal this year. The descriptions from different sources have not been exaggerated in the least. We sent out about 20,000 of this variety as premiums to our subscribers the past spring, and it is more than gratifying to know that it is even better than we expected."

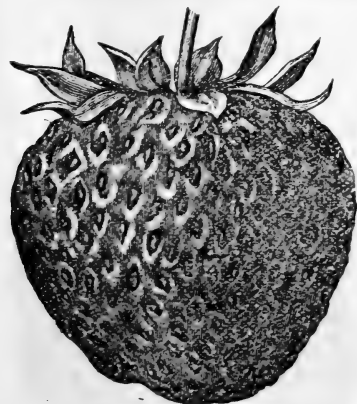
GANDY BELLE.—Is a large berry, perfect bloom and very productive. Berries dark red when ripe. The plant is a very strong grower; always makes a heavy bed of plants. Time of ripening, early; quality very fine. Cleveland Nursery company describes it as follows: It was sent to us as the best berry ever sent out, being large, early, firm, productive and healthy. We find it all that was claimed for it and this year out of all our berries this was put down as the best taking into consideration its firmness, making a good shipper. It is a perfect beauty and this season as near the Ideal strawberry as can be found or that we find up to this time.

JAY GOULD is not a large, showy berry but for a canning berry beats anything we have grown. firm as Wilson, much brighter looking, quality better and produced a crop much above the average.



GANDY BELLE.

SHUSTER'S GEM.—A fine variety with a strong, vigorous plant and bright, healthy foliage. Fruit large globular, regular and uniform, beautiful bright scarlet, excellent quality. It is only moderately firm and hence not especially adapted for distant shipment, but for local market or the home garden it is unexcelled. Early to midseason.



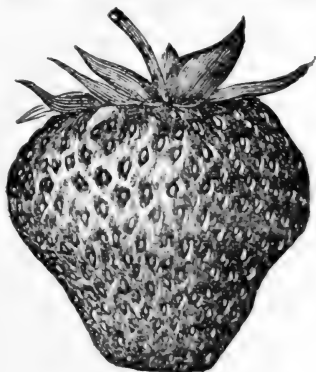
SHUSTER'S GEM.

CRESCENT.—Too well known to need description. My stock of this old standard sort is very fine.

DAYTON.—It is a fine large berry, of dark crimson color, firm, of handsome form and excellent quality. The plant is a healthy and vigorous grower with large, clean foliage. It possesses unusual shipping qualities. It is among the best of the large, newer sorts and we can recommend this variety as one that will give satisfactory returns in the shape of handsome fruit if given a fair treatment. Season early.

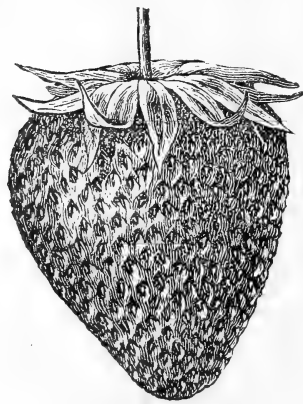
GOV. HOARD.—Large firm and good quality. A reliable grower in Ohio describes it as being very productive and quite early. Berries large, roundish conical, slightly flattened and usually necked, flesh firm and of a rich agreeable flavor and thinks it will disappoint no one, especially for home use.

KLICKITIA.—Another year's fruiting in a season wholly unfavorable, supports my previous good opinion of this variety. It lacks firmness as a market fruit, but is superior for home use, where highest quality is desired. Very few of its rivals can equal it in delicate flavor, while in good looks and productiveness it is not deficient. In all of the above points it has two seasons with me surpassed Mrs. Cleveland, Eureka, Princess and Shuster's Gem, growing on the same soil a few rods distant.—ORIGINATOR.



Crescent.

VAN DEMAN.—A vigorous grower, with strong and healthy foliage, that much resembles the Lovett in plant and habit, and is remarkably productive under favorable conditions. It has received much praise from the experiment stations. The berries are conical, and deep glossy scarlet in color, firm, and of sprightly sub-acid flavor. Early.



VAN DEMAN.

GEN. PUTNAM.—Resembles Cumberland closely in both plant and fruit. Strong plant and bright clean foliage. Berries large, roundish conical, pale scarlet, rather soft, but of high quality. Mid-season.

GREAT PACIFIC is, I believe, a valuable early market berry. It is as early as Crescent and quite as productive with the advantage of ripening up twice as much fruit at the first pickings. The fruit is also much larger and will equal Haverland in size, vigor and productiveness, but

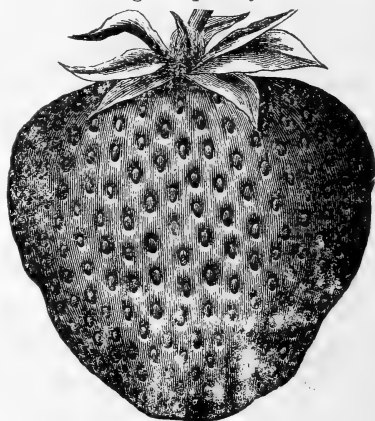
is darker in color, both fruit and foliage. A valuable variety.

CRAWFORD.—It is a fine large berry, firm and of good quality. It is also a sturdy, healthy grower but is not productive on poor sandy soil. When given high culture it is one of the best.

MINEOLA.—Highly recommended for family use. It is not very productive but it is of large size and its quality is good enough to make up for what it lacks in productiveness.

WILSON.—too well known to need description. We have some fine healthy plants that are strictly pure.

SWINDLE.—The plant in habit of somewhat resembles the Glendale, although with rather broader leaves; it is a more vigorous grower than either of its parents, and makes runners freely; leaf and fruit stalks are long and stout, fruit stalks very abundant and branch freely, so that often thirty or fifty berries form on a single cluster; blossom pistillate, blooms medium to late, fruit ripens late till very late, large, dark glossy scarlet color, sprightly, high flavor, somewhat acid, but of excellent quality, firm and solid, and a grand shipper.



CRAWFORD.

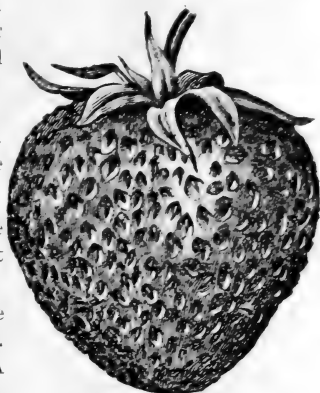
PARKER EARLE.—This is a favorite with many. It is wonderfully productive and a good grower, but here it does not do as well as I would like to have it. Where it succeeds it is a grand variety. My plants are large and healthy.

SADOVAL.—Plants healthy, fruit of medium size, and good quality. Fairly productive.

STAYMAN NO. 1.—From Kansas, supposed to be a seedling of Crescent about as productive, and fruit similar in form and size, firmer and of better quality, but color not as bright. Plant vigorous and a rapid grower. It blooms late, but is only a few days behind Crescent in ripening, and continues longer in bearing, holding out with the late. Characteristics of both plant and fruit indicate a cross between Crescent and Glendale.

BELMONT.—A good table berry for the family garden; large size, good flavor, about medium in productiveness.

THE LEADER Strawberry is an early large berry, of crimson color and very productive. Firm, a good shipper, and of good quality. A very strong staminate variety and good grower, with clean, healthy foliage.



STAYMAN NO. 1.

OLD VARIETIES RENAMED.

Early Idaho is Clark's Early renamed.

Boynnton is Crescent under a new name.

Ella is only a new name for Mitchel's Early.

Beeder Wood is called Racster by some.

Gandy and First Season are identical.

Lovett was first called Lovett's Early.

Sandoval and Warfield No. 1 are the same.

Michael's Early, Michel's Early and Mitchel's Early are the same: Mitchel's Early is the correct way of spelling it.

Gandy Belle, Isabella and No Name are one and the same.

DISCARDED.

Some of the following varieties have some merit and some of them are entirely worthless, but none of them have enough good qualities to justify their cultivation when we have dozens of others so much better. The list is as follows:

Acme,	Pearl,	Yale,	Alabama,
Bessie,	Shaw,	Felton,	Oregon Everbearing,
Bidwell,	Capt. Jack,	Henderson,	Auburn,
Bomba,	Cowan,	Jersey Queen,	Beebe,
Cloud Seedling,	California,	Jucanda,	Clark's Early,
Eureka,	Clingto,	Kentucky,	Dew,
Farnsworth,	Cameronian,	Lida,	Edward's Favorite,
Gipsy,	Hatfield,	Parry,	Middlefield,
Lady Rusk,	Hyslop,	Old Iron Clad,	Monmouth,
May King,	Crystal City,	Manchester,	Regina,
Pineapple,	Leviathan,	Mammoth,	Southard,
Price Seeling,	Ontario,	Accomack,	Stevens,

Monarch (Miola—Anna Forest).

IN CONCLUSION.

I wish to say to my many friends and patrons that the foregoing descriptions are true to the best of my knowledge. What I have to say concerning the different varieties is as I have seen them and mostly at home. Where other authority is quoted I have endeavored to give the best and most reliable. Some varieties that do well here may fail at some other place, but it is not my desire or intention to describe any variety in a way to mislead or disappoint anyone.

PRICE LIST.

VARIETY.	12 by Mail post paid.	100 by Mail post paid.	100 by Ex. not prep'd.	1000 by Ex. not prep'd.
Arrow (P).....	\$1 00	\$6 00	\$6 00	
Brandywine.....	1 00	5 00	5 00	50 00
Bisel (P).....	50	1 70	1 50	
Belle (P).....	50	2 20	2 00	
Barton's Eclipse (P).....	20	80	60	4 00
Bedar Wood.....	20	70	50	3 00
Bubach No. 5 (P).....	20	60	40	3 00
Belmont.....	25	1 20	1 00	
Beverly.....	50	80	60	4 00
Banquet.....	50	2 20	2 00	
Crawford.....	20	80	60	
Crescent (P).....	20	60	40	2 50
Cyclone.....	50	2 70	2 50	20 00
Columbian.....	20	80	60	5 00
Chairs.....	20	80	60	
Dayton.....	20	80	60	4 00
Edgar Queen (P).....	20	80	60	4 00
Enhance.....	20	80	60	4 00
Enormous (P).....	1 00	4 40	4 00	
E. P. Roe.....	20	80	60	4 00
Gandy Belle.....	20	80	60	5 00
Greenville (P).....	20	80	60	4 00
Gandy.....	20	80	60	
Gen. Putnam (P).....	20	60	40	3 50
Gillespie.....	20	80	60	
Gov. Hoard.....	20	60	40	3 50
Great Pacific (P).....	20	60	40	3 00
Haverland (P).....	20	60	40	3 00
Hoffman.....	20	60	40	2 50
Ivanhoe.....	50			
Jay Gould.....	25	1 20	1 00	6 00
Klickiti.....	25	1 20	1 00	6 00
Leader.....	25	1 20	1 00	
Lovett.....	20	60	40	
Mary (P).....	75	3 20	3 00	
Meek's Early.....	20	60	40	3 00
Mitchell's Early.....	20	60	40	2 50
Mineola.....	25	1 20	1 00	6 00
Muskingum.....	25	1 20	1 00	
Mrs. Cleveland (P).....	20	80	60	
Parker Earle.....	25	1 00	80	5 00
Princess (P).....	25	1 00	80	5 00
Princeton Chief (P).....	40	1 20	1 00	8 00
Paris King.....	50	2 70	2 50	
Rio.....	50	2 70	2 50	20 00
Robinson.....	25	1 20	1 00	6 00
Swindle (P).....	20	80	60	4 00
Sharpless.....	20	60	40	3 00

VARIETY	12 by Mail post paid.	100 by Mail post paid.	100 by Ex. not prep'd.	1000 by Ex. not prep'd.
✓ Stayman No. 1 (P).....	20	60	40	2 50
✓ Sandoval	20	80	60	4 00
✓ Shuster's Gem (P).....	20	60	40	3 00
✓ Saunders.....	20	60	40	3 00
Splendid.....	50	2 70	2 50	
Tennessee Prolific.....	25	1 00	80	5 00
✓ Timbrell (P).....	40	1 70	1 50	12 00
✓ Van Deman.....	20	80	60	4 00
✓ Warfield No. 2 (P).....	20	60	40	2 50
✓ Woolverton	20	80	60	4 00
Wilson.....	20	80	60	3 00

Those marked (P) have pistillate or imperfect blossoms and must be planted near some variety with perfect blossoms to fruit them.

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COLLECTIONS.

It has been my custom for several years past to offer a number of special collections which have given such universal satisfaction that I will again offer them.

BY MAIL POSTPAID.

Collection A. (Early and Late)—12 Columbian, 12 Woolverton, 12 Tennessee Prolific and 12 Timbrell, for \$1.00.

Collection B. (Early)—12 Tennessee Prolific, 12 Columbian, 12 Beeder Wood, 12 Warfield, 12 Barton Eclipse, for \$1.00.

Collection C. (Late)—12 Timbrell, 12 Greenville, 12 Belmont, and 12 Princeton Chief for only \$1.00.

Collection D. (New Kinds)—6 Brandywine, 6 Enormous and 6 Belle for \$1.

Collection E. (New Kinds)—6 Clyde, 6 Rio, 6 Splendid, 6 Bisel and 6 Mary for \$1.00.

Collection F. (New Kinds)—12 Brandywine, 12 Arrow, 12 Enormous, 12 Cyclone, 12 Rio, 12 Splendid, 12 Belle, 12 Mary and 12 Bisel, all for \$5.00.

Collection F. is a superb collection and ought to bring 1000 orders.

BY EXPRESS—RECEIVER TO PAY CHARGES.

Collection G. (Early and Late) 25 Columbian, 25 Beeder Wood, 25 Woolverton, 25 Greenville and 25 Princeton Chief all for \$1.00.

Collection H. (Medium)—25 Woolverton, 25 Bartons Eclipse, 25 Greenville, 25 Saunders and 25 Beverly, for \$1.00.


Collection K. (Late)—15 Timbrell, 25 Princeton Chief, 25 Greenville, 25 Enhance and 25 Belmont, for \$1.00.

Collection L. (New Kinds)—25 Brandywine, 25 Arrow, 25 Enormous, 25 Cyclone, 25 Rio and 25 Belle, all for \$5.00.

Collection M.—100 each of ten good kinds for general purposes, my selection, for \$5.00.

When ordering the above Collections, please order by the letters A, B, C, D, etc. The letters I and J are not used as so many people make them alike it is hard to distinguish which is wanted. All collections offered in previous catalogues are now out of date.

COMPLIMENTS.

 Below I present a few of the many complimentary letters that I am continually receiving, unsolicited, from all parts of the country. Were I to print them all it would take a book several times as large as this to hold them.

Kosciusko, Co., Ind., April 30, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—Not knowing your age I do not know whether the adage about the young will apply and sincerely hope you will do the Rip Van Winkle toast "Live long and prosper." In the first place the first plants you sent me came in due time and in splendid condition. Your 50's counted out 53 to 55. I have been bragging to my friends about striking the right man the first time to buy plants. I Asked Mr. Elliott, a neighbor grower, if he knew a W. F. Allen, Jr., of Maryland. This was after I ordered and before the plants came. He looked at me in surprise and said, "well I should say I do. I have some \$30 worth of plants of him now." That made me think I was on the right track. Hope I will be in shape to buy more plants of you in the future. Your paper is as you say—any number worth a year's subscription. Don't let my name get away from your list as I want your annual catalogue and any other matter you might mail. Now with many thanks for your prompt and honest way of doing business, I am

Very truly yours, L. H. DUNBAR.

Experiment, Ga., Nov. 21, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—We are more than pleased with the plants. They were unusually well packed and were strong and vigorous. We shall take pleasure in recommending you to inquirers as business like and reliable.

Very truly yours,
GEORGIA EXPERIMENT STATION, A. N. Starnes, Horticulturist,

Norfolk Co., Va., April 25., 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—The Leader plants came safely today for which please accept my thanks. I have a perfect stand of strawberry plants this spring. All your plants lived and are doing well. In the last 25 years I have bought plants of quite a number of growers and this is the first time the seller ever replaced plants after finding out they were mixed, or from any other cause. It is a real pleasure to deal with growers who are actuated with such motives. I hope we will have many transactions in the future. With my best wishes, I am, yours respectfully,

T. WILSON SELDON.

[Mr. Selden's order was for over \$500.00 worth of plants. Thus you see I can handle little orders and large ones alike to the satisfaction of my customers.]

Bergen Co., N. J. July 4, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., My Dear Sir:—While waiting for your (anxiously looked for) "Culturist" to come round I want to say a word in your favor. The 3000 or 4000 plants I received from you, numbering about 40 varieties, came in such splendid condition that I want to thank you for your skill as a packer of plants and also for their fine quality. every plant was ready to grow, and in fact kept growing on the way across three states. Some others I received were either dry or heating. I received some plants from M. Crawford, whose system of packing can only equal yours. In 25 years experience in the nursery business I never saw better plants than yours.

Yours truly, M. MATTISON

Wicomico county, Md., March 21, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—This is to inform you that I received my plants on Saturday, 17th. I set them on Monday afternoon following and must say I was highly gratified to find such fine plants all in a growing condition, count full. The plants sent me would have carried all right across the Ocean.

Very respectfully,
W. H. WILLIAMS.

Kent Co., Del., May 7, 1894. Mr. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—The plants I ordered of you came in perfect order and gave entire satisfaction. Excellent plants, well packed and liberally counted. You will doubtlessly receive an order from me next spring.

E. J. PACKARD.

Bradford Co., Pa., May 4, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—I wish to thank you for the fine plants you sent me and the very liberal manner in which you dealt with me. I shall most certainly remember you in the future, both directly and indirectly. Please to fine enclosed 20 cents for THE STRAWBERRY CULTURIST, beginning with your April number.

Yours truly,
DANIEL FLEISHER.

Bureau Co., Ill., May 1st, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—Your strawberry plants were the best lot of plants we ever bought, and they arrived in good condition.

F. W. POSCHARSKY & SON.

Orange Co., Vt., Oct. 1, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—The strawberry plants got here last Friday night, and were set out Saturday morning. They were all right. I think plant packed as you packed those might be sent to a foreign country with perfect safety. As ever thine. JACOB A. SPEAR.

Licking Co. O., March 23, 1894. Friend Allen:—I received the little basket of strawberry plants in fine condition, having been out of the ground but two days. It is only doing you justice when I say they were the largest, healthiest, best put up plants I ever saw sent out. Every one of them will grow vigorously as they all seem to be "just aching to get at it". I wish you success in plant growing as well as with your STRAWBERRY CULTURIST.

Very truly, your friend, F. H. BALLOU.

Fort Apache, Arizona, April 4, 1894. Dear Sir:—Strawberry plants ordered of you were one full week on the road—having to come nearly 100 miles after leaving railroad—but they reached me in first class condition, and were first class plants. Have had them planted out now two weeks or more, and almost every plant is doing finely. You filled my order in a most satisfactory way.

Yours truly, B. C. HAMMOND, Chaplain U. S. Army.

Lavaca Co., Tex., Oct. 11, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—The Strawberry plants received and set on the 8th inst. The weather was dry and hot with Northern winds—very unfavorable. They were watered and shaded and I think there will not be over 2 per cent lost. They were the finest and best rooted set of plants I ever saw. Your collection "G." called for 72 and you sent me 92. Thanks.

Yours truly, DR. J. E. LAY.

Chesley, Ont., Canada, May 18, 1894. Dear Sir:—I got plants all right, many thanks for extras. They were first class. Best I ever got any time from any one.

I am yours truly, HENRY HAYES.

[From the three last testimonials given above our patrons can draw their own conclusions as to how far we can ship in good order. There is no point in the United States that we cannot reach in safety.]

Kendal Co., Ill., June 7, 1894. Mr. W. F. Allen, Dear Sir:—Your plants are all in good shape, did not hear a complaint out of the 29,000 plants that is speaking well of you; they all came in fine shape and we are all pleased with them.

Yours truly, L. W. WINANS.

Jefferson Co., Ky., March 16, 1894. Mr. W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—I herewith send you additional orders for plants. I must confess that this thing has gone much further than I had any idea of. When I decided to order my plants from you last year some neighbors asked me to order for them too, so I did so. Low prices and good plants in good condition has made the demand and the demand has made large sales for you, good bargains for my neighbors and lots of trouble for me. I am very truly yours,

M. T. JOHNSON.

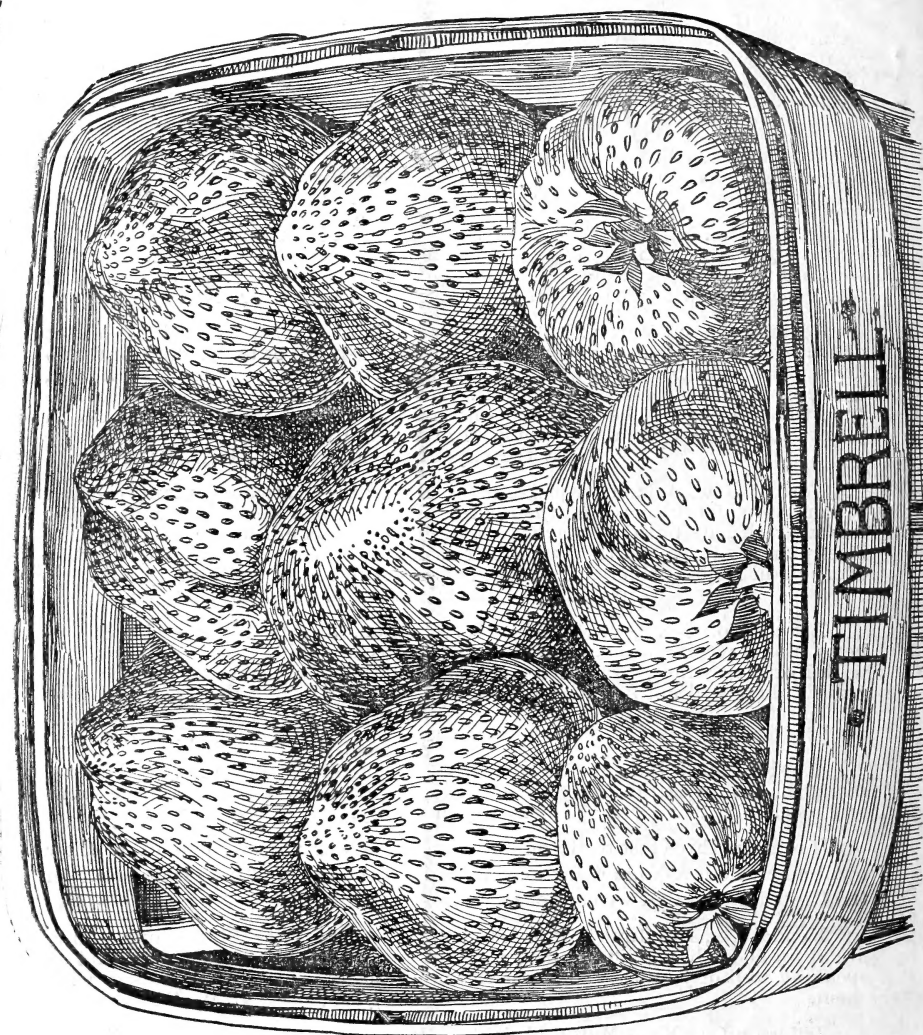
Morestown, N. J. March 10, 1894. W. F. Allen, Jr., Kind Friend:—We received the hundred Greenville in good condition very promptly. Please accept our thanks for the promptness. Very truly,

ISAAC C. ROGERS.

Camden Co., March 12, 1894. Dear Sir:—I received the strawberry plants on the 8th. They come in good order and were the finest lot I ever bought. Accept thanks for liberal count. Respectfully,

GEO. HOLFENIN, Jr.

This cut of Timbrell was made from a photograph taken from nature.



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